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NEWSLETTER

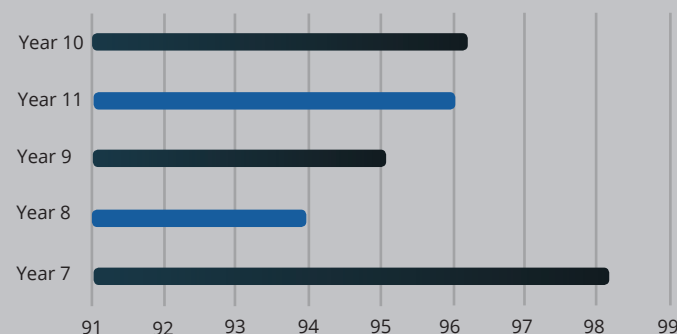
COMING UP This Week - 23.03.18

23 Apr	
24 Apr	
25 Apr	Year 12 field trip GCSE Art Exam
26 Apr	GCSE Art Exam Wirral Young Chamber 'Question Time' Spanish Speaking Exam Workshop
27 Apr	Spanish Speaking Exam Workshop SJP Charity Music Night

COMING UP Next Week - 30.04.18

30 Apr	SJP V SMCC Sixth Form Debate GCSE Spanish Speaking Exams Data Base Exam (all week)
01 May	PSHE P3 DofE Gold Practice Y12 GCSE Spanish Speaking Exams
02 May	GCSE Spanish Speaking Exams DofE Gold Practice Y12
03 May	GCSE Spanish Speaking Exams DofE Gold Practice Y12 Year 12 & 13 Performing Arts Exam
04 May	Sixth Form Here Comes Summer Fair DofE Gold Practice Y12 GCSE Spanish Speaking Exams

ATTENDANCE 16.04.18 - 20.04.18



Geography Trip

Year 11 Geography pupils enjoyed the sunshine in Liverpool and Formby last week! The purpose of their trips was to conduct fieldwork in two contrasting environments.

On Wednesday, Y11 Beta travelled first to Liverpool 1 to look at urban regeneration, followed by a trip to the sand dunes on Formby beach. Y11 Alpha repeated the journey the following day.



Epstein Theatre Trip

On the afternoons of Wednesday the 18th and Thursday the 19th of April, the year 8 and year 7 pupils of St John Plessington Catholic College were promised a momentous occasion. They braced themselves for the full, and unimaginable immersion into a world of words as old as time itself. William Shakespeare. The very name, and two of his most culturally popular plays - Romeo and Juliet, and A Midsummer Night's Dream - promised two spectacular trips. Set within the thriving heart of Liverpool, the Epstein theatre did not disappoint. From the moment of departure, both year groups alike were buzzing with energy and enthusiasm, the mood of anticipation brightened by the cheerful sunny day. Upon arrival, the pupils absorbed with astonished alacrity the archaic and faded appearance of the theatre, spilling into the rows and their seats with turning heads and some eyes that had never before seen a theatre. And what a show it was.

Both performances were filled with a vital, powerful energy. Students laughed in delight as Shakespeare's bawdy lines were uttered in the friendly and approachable Liverpool dialect, the accent itself proving an eclectic manner



of expression as Romeo traversed 'Liverpool' in search of his Juliet. Heads turned and eyes searched, as actors rushed between rows to invade the stage, used the upper stalls to re-enact the famous balcony scene between Verona's beloved romantics, and climbed upon the sides of the walls to convey an earnest energy that injected the theatre with life. The pupils' engagement with both plays was evident in their constantly turning heads, and utter silence, held rapt withal. A drunken Benvolio stumblingly scoured the audience for his 'Romo', grabbing stifled laughter from pupils as they shifted at his approach, the stage itself by no means the limit of these plays. All actors constantly traversed the theatre and never allowed the audience to drift from their focus.

Perhaps most engaging was the sheer merriment of Daniel Taylor's A Midsummer Night's Dream, a dizzying, dazzling display of pacey, beating music and actors filled with earnest electricity. Year 7 were utterly enthralled, drawn in by the dramatic impact of music mingled with Oberon's slow and decisive prow about the stage, and laughing aloud at the sheer madness that was Puck. Both theatre outings were a huge success with pupils, delighting them with both friendly, approachable versions of Shakespeare's plays, and also a genuine experience of theatre that will impress upon them great value for their studies ahead.

OPEN MIC NIGHT



'Open Mic Charity Night' to raise money for the Wirral Food Bank

foodbank

LIVE AT ST JOHN PLESSINGTON
Friday 27th April 6.30pm

Tickets are currently on sale for £3 adult and £2 concession. All pupils must be accompanied by an adult

On Friday 27 April we will be hosting an 'Open Mic Charity Night' to raise money for the Wirral Food Bank. The evening will be hosted by our fabulous 6th Form team and promises to entertain and surprise (in a good way!).

The evening starts at 6.30pm, and will go on until approximate 8.00pm. Tickets are currently on sale for £3 adult and £2 concession, however all pupils must be accompanied by an adult. We're hoping you will be able to join us for the evening as it would be great to see you all there. There will be refreshments available on the night for you to purchase from the 6th Form team.

Tickets are currently on sale from 6th form students during AR. If you would like a ticket please let Miss Chesters know.

HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED A CAREER IN TEACHING?

School Direct is a one-year, full time teacher training programme. At SJP, all School Direct Associate Teachers (ATs) are allocated a dedicated subject mentor, and guided by specialist tutors. At the end of the year, successful ATs will qualify with QTS and PGCE, which is accredited by the University of Chester.

What are the entry requirements?

- UK university degree 2:1 or above (2:2 for Maths, Physics, Chemistry, MFL) or a recognised equivalent qualification – we also accept applications from final year students due to graduate in 2018
- Grade C or above in GCSE English and Mathematics (Science for Primary)
- At least two full days of school observation

You will be required to undergo an enhanced DBS check to verify your suitability to work with young people

What subjects do we offer?

We currently offer teacher training for Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Computer Science, DT, Drama, English, Geography, History, Maths, Media, Modern Foreign Languages, PE, Physics, Primary, RE and Social Sciences.

In addition, our School Experience Programme offers the opportunity to spend a day or two at SJP in your subject department. You will be able to observe classes taking place, engage with pupils, and speak to subject staff and the School Direct ATs who are currently

training with us.

If you would like to know more about School Direct or our School Experience Programme please contact Helen Ruscoe, Teaching School and Marketing Manager, enquiries@sjpsa.com or **0151 645 5049**.

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Thought of the week
Week Commencing 23rd April 2018

"If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world ablaze!"

St. Catherine of Sienna

Good Shepherd, within your embrace we are safe and secure.
Within your embrace we know that we are precious in your sight.
Within your embrace we feel the warmth of family and belonging.
Within your embrace we grow and are nurtured together as one flock, the people of your pasture under your loving care and protection.
Amen.

St John Plessington
Pray for us.



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SJP Teaching School Alliance



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Secondary school of the year

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SHORTLISTED AT THE TES SCHOOLS AWARDS 2018
Friday 20 April 2018

The most outstanding individuals and institutions that the state and independent sector has to offer have been recognised in the shortlist for the 2018 Tes Schools Awards.

It's been revealed that St John Plessington Catholic College has been shortlisted for the Secondary School of the Year award.

Tes editor Ann Mroz said: It is wonderful to see such innovative ideas and best-practice emerging from our schools and teachers, despite the current squeeze on funding. We had a record year for entries and the standard was the best so far – all those shortlisted should be very proud: it's an extraordinary achievement.

The winners will be revealed at our gala awards evening at the Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane, London on Friday 22 June 2018

To see the full list of who's in the running, pick up a copy of this week's Tes, or visit tesawards.co.uk



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